


**AFFIDAVIT OF Cochrane Cooperative Telephone Company  
REGARDING USE OF FEDERAL HIGH-COST SUPPORT FUNDS  
AFFIDAVIT FOR ELIGIBLE TELECOMMUNICATIONS CARRIERS ONLY**

STATE OF WISCONSIN     )  
  ) ss.  
COUNTY OF Buffalo     )

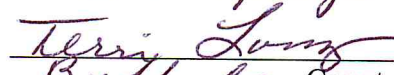
I, the undersigned, being duly sworn, state as follows:

1. I am the Chief Executive Officer of Cochrane Cooperative Telephone Company ("Carrier"), Wisconsin Utility Number 1230 and FCC Study Area Code 330866.
2. I am a corporate officer responsible for certifying Carrier's use of Federal High Cost Support Funds.
3. Carrier is an eligible telecommunications carrier within the meaning of § 214(e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996, and is eligible to receive universal service support pursuant to § 254(e) of the Act.
4. Carrier files this affidavit in compliance with the Federal Communications Commission's order of May 23, 2001, in Docket No. 96-45, which requires states to certify to the Federal Communications Commission that all Federal High-Cost Support within this state are or will be used only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended.
5. Carrier hereby states that it is the authorized ETC that will actually use the Federal High Cost Support Funds received only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and rendition of services for which the support is intended pursuant to § 254(e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996, and that such uses are consistent with controlling orders of the FCC applicable to Carrier and with applicable precedent of the Public Service Commission of Wisconsin.
6. Carrier hereby states that the attached responses to the three questions are complete and accurate.

  
(signature)  
Gina Tomlinson  
(typed name)

1-608-248-2323  
(telephone number)

Subscribed and sworn to before me  
this 2 day of July, 2012.

, Notary Public  
Buffalo County, State of Wisconsin  
My Commission expires \_\_\_\_\_



## Questions for Wisconsin ETCs

**Cochrane Cooperative Telephone Company (Carrier)**

(Company name)

Wisconsin Utility Number: 1230FCC Study Area Code: 330866.

**Mark the box with an X for the statement that is true for the Carrier's Wisconsin operations:**

Carrier ☐ **does not** receive High Cost Fund support from the federal Universal Service Fund.

[Proceed no further.]

Carrier ☒ **does** receive High Cost Fund support from the federal Universal Service Fund.

[Please answer the following three (3) questions.]

**1. What is the amount of federal HCF support received for operations in Wisconsin in 2011 and amount expected to be received in 2012?**

**Note:** The HCF support amount includes the mechanisms requiring state certification in 2012 and include: High Cost Loop Support (HCL), Local Switching Support (LSS) and Safety Net Additive (SNA)

**2011:** [REDACTED]

**2012:** [REDACTED] est.

**2) For what areas (exchanges) is the funding in question 1 provided?**

Cochrane and Waumandee exchanges

**3) High Cost Fund support is provided "for the provision, maintenance and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended." What are the purposes and principal projects for which the monies in question 1 have been or are being used in the areas identified in question 2?**

**Purposes:**

The Company uses USF support to maintain its existing network. These projects will support growth and ongoing upgrade of plant. This includes adding equipment in central offices and remotes for growth or to upgrade equipment, replacing batteries, rectifiers and generators, adding outside plant facilities and replacing worn out cable or placing cable as a result of road moves.

TIME FRAME	PROJECT DESCRIPTION	COST
2011	Central Office Equip., Digital Circuit Equip., General Support Assets, Buried Fiber & Copper Cable	[REDACTED]
2011	Plant Maintenance & Operating Expenses, Excluding Depreciation	[REDACTED]
2012	Central Office Equip., Digital Circuit Equip., General Support Assets, Buried Fiber & Copper Cable (Estimates)	[REDACTED]
2012	Plant Maintenance & Operating Expenses, Excluding Depreciation (Estimates)	[REDACTED]